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## CHINA'S LIABILITIES.

### HOW THE INTERNAL LOANS STAND.

#### Alleged Attempt to Evade Payments.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 12.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir W. De Frece with regard to China's debts, Mr. Ronald McNeill said that according to information in his possession, the Chinese Government was refusing to pay bonds of ex-enemy issues held by ex-enemy nationals at the time of China's declaration of war, irrespective of their present ownership of such bonds.

The present financial position of the Chinese railways was very obscure. As far as his information went, none of the railways was now paying its way.

Replies to a message from its Peking correspondent regarding a request by Dr. Wellington Koo, as acting chief of the Foreign Office, to the Diplomatic Body, to release £320,000 out of the Customs surplus for payment of arrears and expenses due to their Chinese colleagues abroad, and the reply of the acting Inspector of Customs that there is at present no surplus available for the purpose, the "Times" in a leader headed "The Chinese Micawber" points out that the Customs surplus is liable for the whole amount due to holders of internal loans. The Peking Government now desire to deprive their domestic creditors of this security to the extent named, and appropriate the money for other purposes. The struggle is primarily between the Government and their Chinese creditors, and its consequences to foreigners are only indirect, although they might well prove to be very serious. Any tampering with the security for even a portion of the total of 340 million dollars of domestic loans would almost certainly create a panic, which would react on foreign trade, but the bondholders can rely on the Inspector-General to see that the surplus goes to the service of domestic loans. The Chinese Government could legally divest him of the administration of the internal loans, but it is not thought likely that they would venture upon a step which would bring down many native banks and add fresh complications to the subsisting chaos in finance. Some holders of the internal debt are merely gamblers, who do not deserve much consideration, but China is in dire need of foreign assistance if she is to stave off bankruptcy, and she will not improve her credit abroad by trying to deprive even gamblers of the security on which they have advanced money.

### BREEZY PARLIAMENTARY SESSION.

#### Liberal and Labour Rivalry.

London, April 12.

The scenes in the House of Commons yesterday evening furnish the occasion for the newspapers to lecture both the Ministerialists and the Labourites on the unseemliness of the proceedings. The Government is arraigned for the incompetence of its Whips, and its supporters for their slackness and indifference. The latter is attributed by advocates of a Conservative reunion to the second-rate character of the Government. They dwell on the excessive burden thereby imposed on Mr. Bonar Law, and urge the necessity for the inclusion in the Ministry of some outstanding figure like Mr. Austen Chamberlain. The Labourites are universally warned that they have marred their triumph of the previous day by yesterday evening's disturbance, which it is believed is partly due to rivalry between the Labourites and Liberals for the glory of inflicting defeat. The need for unity and discipline is impressed on them if they wish to drive home any anti-Government success. It is noteworthy that one result of the disorder was to postpone indefinitely the debate on the Government's proposals to improve the agricultural industry, which was fixed for yesterday evening and was expected to be one of the outstanding issues of the session.

London, April 12.

In the House of Commons, bowing to the dissatisfaction expressed in the adverse vote on Tuesday, the R. Hon. S. Baldwin announced, amid Opposition cheers, that it had been decided to extend the powers of the committee appointed before Easter to enable it immediately to consider and report upon the question of initial salaries of ex-Servicemen in the Civil Service. The committee will have a non-partisan chairman, and will include nine Commissioners, two women. Mr. Ramsay Macdonald expressed his satisfaction, and regretted that the announcement had not been made yesterday.

Piquancy was lent to the House of Commons debate by the fact that the Liberals and Labourites are at loggerheads on the question of precedence in resuming the discussion, which explained the Ministerial cheers that greeted the Liberal, Mr. Duncan Miller, when he moved the appointment of a select committee to enquire into salary conditions of ex-Servicemen in the Civil Service. Mr. Miller repudiated the suggestion that any party monopolised the interest of the subject.

Mr. G. W. S. Jarrett, the National Liberal, seconded the motion, and aroused Labour protests and Liberal and Conservative counter-cheers by a remark that certain post-war protagonists of ex-Servicemen were attempting to make it a party question.

Mr. Asquith, following Mr. Baldwin's announcement, laid stress on the unanimity of opinion on the subject, and appealed to Mr. Miller to withdraw his motion, which Mr. Miller did after a little breeze, due to the Labourite Mr. Middleton, congratulating the Government on accepting the Labour request.

#### No Concessions in Case of Eastern Posts.

London, April 12.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Frederick Hall, the Hon. W. Ormsby Gore confirmed the statement that in connection with the examinations for Eastern Cadetships that no exception to the candidates' usual age limits would be allowed on account of service with the Forces, although this was the accepted practice in connection with Civil Service examinations. He added that between 1919 and 1921 arrangements had been made for recruiting a number of ex-Servicemen for the Far East with a very considerable range in age above the normal limit, but the appointment of many such Cadets had proved a source of embarrassment both to the interests of the individuals themselves and the public service. It was therefore considered desirable to revert to the usual age limits, when competition would be reintroduced. He expressed the opinion that comparison with the Home service was inapplicable.

London, April 12.

In the House of Commons, the Government's majorities to-night were normal. The discussion on the Estimates was closed by 242 votes to 155. The House continued until after midnight quietly discussing minor estimates.

## HOME HOUSING BILL.

### Failure to Meet Certain Requirements.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 12.

The Housing Bill is adversely criticised as ignoring the middle classes, and for not dealing with slums. It is pointed out that the main proposal, for a six pounds subsidy, is confined to non-purchaser houses, thus merely benefiting the unskilled labourer. Other provisions are regarded as excellent, but the failure to meet the middle class grievances, which has proved fatal to the Government in a number of by-elections, is likely to provoke strong opposition.

#### Summary of the Provisions.

London, April 12.

The Government's Housing Bill empowers the Ministry of Health to contribute not more than six pounds sterling annually, for twenty years, for each one or two storied house or flat provided by local authorities, also to contribute towards the cost of rehousing schemes by local authorities up to half the annual loss on such schemes. The measure is retrospective for fifteen months. The local authorities are empowered to assist private building enterprise where houses are erected of a type specified in the Act, by a lump sum refund of rates or payment of a building society's charges, the grant being conditional on the occupation of the building for five years as a private dwellinghouse. In the event of a conversion of houses into flats, the increased rates thereby incurred may be remitted. The value of the houses in respect of which assistance is given must not exceed fifteen hundred pounds sterling. The Bill also applies to Scotland.

## BOXER INDEMNITY FUNDS.

### Another Series of Suggestions.

London, April 12.

Mr. W. Clareeless, president of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, has sent a letter to Lord Curzon on behalf of the Chamber making suggestions with regard to the use of the Boxer Indemnity funds, including the education of Chinese in British schools and colleges in China and the establishment of a technical college in North China, mainly with a view to developing the existing native industries, such as afforestation, agriculture, &cetera, so that the Chinese may be helped to produce and sell the products of China to the best advantage. A few Chinese should be invited to England for post-graduate courses, but candidates should be very carefully chosen, and the selection be strictly limited. The letter also suggests that there be assistance and encouragement of British medical work in China, and the establishment of Chairs of Chinese at the Universities of England or assistance for those already established which need help. Professors of Chinese in England might give public lectures on Chinese life and customs. Students who have qualified in applied arts and manufactures in England or China should be enabled to study on the spot the conditions and requirements of the other side, therefore properly qualified youths of British birth might with advantage to British commerce be awarded a scholarship for travel within China.

## SOVIET'S RECENT OUTBREAKS.

### Britain Might Withdraw Delegation.

London, April 12.

Reuter understands that the Government is considering the whole position of the British trade delegation to Moscow. Competent authorities are of opinion that quite apart from the Budkiewicz and Cieplak cases, technical grounds alone would justify the withdrawal of the delegation. The attitude of the Soviet Government has lately been particularly unfriendly, as instanced by Chicherin's insolent reply to British representations on behalf of Budkiewicz, and the recent fresh seizure of a British trawler outside the three-mile limit, forming an additional ground of complaint.

London, April 12.

Religious leaders in Britain, headed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, have issued a protest against the trial of ecclesiastics in Russia as a climax to the Soviet's long and ruthless warfare on all forms of religious belief, appealing for help to maintain religious liberty for the people of Russia.

## CHINESE RECEPTION IN LONDON.

London, April 12.

Chao-Hsin-chu gave a reception at the Chinese Legation, to which all Chinese students and merchants in Britain were invited to meet Fan Yuan-lien, former Minister of Education. Both addressed their compatriots. Mr. Fan giving advice to the students, particularly.

## THE COST OF PATRIOTISM.

London, April 12.

As a result of the city council's adoption of a policy of absolute Empire Preference, the electricity committee has recommended the rejecting of a Japanese tender of £637, to supply 2,500 disc strain insulators, in favour of a Canadian tender of £1,562.

## GERMANY'S INCREASED INDEBTEDNESS.

Berlin, April 12.

Germany's floating debt in discounted Treasury Bills at the end of March was 6,600 milliard marks, showing an increase of eight hundred milliards during the last ten days of March.

## BUILDING TRADE TROUBLE.

London, April 12.

The negotiations between employers and workers in the building trade have broken down, and the lockout notice will take effect on Saturday.

## PACIFIC LEAGUE OF NATIONS PROPOSED.

Melbourne, April 12.

In a speech, the Prime Minister, Mr. Bruce, urged the formation of a League of Nations of the Pacific, for mutual protection.

## BRITISH GOODS IN GERMANY.

### The Question of Transport.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 12.

The German attitude in connection with the transit of British goods occupied Germany, mentioned by Sir Lloyd Greave in the House of Commons on Tuesday, is illuminated by Reuter's Cologne correspondent explaining that Germany at first offered to waive the licences on British goods, provided France did the same, but Germany's powers over the licences were compulsorily abolished in January. The second so-called concession relates to instructions to Custom officials not to levy dues on goods which have already paid duty to the French. This is practically useless, owing to the non-withdrawal of the instruction to workmen to refuse to handle goods on Allied licences. The Secretary of the British Chamber of Commerce in Germany has requested Berlin to give explicit definition to the scope of the German offer. In the meantime efforts are being made to establish a precedent by persuading shippers on recent order permits to transport purely British goods and thereby set the ball rolling.

## AMERICA AND THE NEAR EAST PROBLEM.

New York, April 13.

The newspapers are fearful that the Chester concession may eventually involve the United States in Near Eastern politics.

The New York Times believes that with the Mosul oilfields the subject of the Anglo-Turkish dispute, the Turks have probably reasoned that the Chester concession will incline the United States to take their side.

The New York World asserts that the concession may be good business, but is certainly shrewd diplomacy. Turkey caught between Anglo-French pressure, has drawn another Power into Near Eastern politics.

A Washington message says the Government has so far not negotiated in the matter, but any conflicting claims arising out of British and French interests can be adjusted by an international tribunal. Officials believe the concession, as first proposed to come within the American "open door" policy and unless modified since it could be supported diplomatically. It is also pointed out that the statement that British oil interests at Mosul is secured by the Mesopotamian mandate from any possible conflict with the Chester concession is admittedly unconvincing, as Class A mandates have not yet been made finally effective.

## THE SOUTH AMERICAN NAVIES.

Santiago de Chile, April 12.

With the presentation of the Chilean Report to the Armament Committee it is considered that agreement on limitation of armaments is impossible during the present session of the Pan-American Conference. Chile has been confronted with Brazil's determination to continue her armament programme until her needs are provided, and Argentina's refusal to consider this as a basis of agreement. The opinion is generally expressed that Argentina will closely follow Brazil in her effort to strengthen her Navy. The Chilean Report proposes that each nation consider the formula which it deems most discreet and most opportune for reducing armament expenditure.

## INTERNATIONAL LABOUR QUESTIONS.

Genoa, April 12.

The governing body of the International Labour Office has discussed the difficulties of securing ratification of the eight hours day convention, notably by Britain, France, and Germany, and has appointed a committee of nine members to enquire into the best means of securing ratification of the present proposal at the next session. The council has also decided that the next International Labour Conference shall be held in October, 1923, and last only a week. Only one question will be on the agenda. The conference of 1924 will be held in June.

## MORE IRISH ARRESTS.

London, April 12.

Miss Mary McSwiney, Countess Markiewicz, Count and Countess Plunkett, Liam Lynch's brother and others are reported to have been arrested whilst en route to Liam Lynch's funeral at Clonmel. Lynch was released but all the others were removed to the local Military Headquarters.

## GUN TURRETS ON U.S. SHIPS.

Washington, April 12.

The acting Naval Secretary, Mr. Roosevelt, discussed with President Harding the problem of erecting gun turrets on American warships. Mr. Roosevelt said no conclusions had been reached, but he expected later to examine the matter more fully with President Harding and Mr. Hughes.

## U.S. RAILWAY AMALGAMATION.

Columbus (Ohio), April 12.

The Van Sweringen Company has completed the consolidation of five railroads under the name of the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad.

## TROUBLE IN INDIA.

Lahore, April 12.

Localised street fighting re-started in Amritsar, but the police and troops dispersed the opposing parties.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### COURT OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE.

Washington, April 12.

Senator Watson presented to Mr. Hughes the Republican Senators' objections to the Government's proposal for American membership in the permanent Court of International Justice. Senator Watson's principal point was that some of his colleagues disapprove of any proposition which does not safeguard the United States' interests through equal representation in the body electing the judges composing the International Court.

## THE EX-KAISER'S WIFE.

Paris, April 12.

A report from Berlin states that owing to the law regarding the status of the Republic, the Minister of the Interior has ordered the ex-Kaiser to leave German territory.

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## TIN STOCKS.

### Scheme for Release.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, April 12.

The Government of the Federated Malay States, the Government of Netherlands' East Indies and the Billiton Macassar Straits Trading Company, being parties to the Bandung agreement relative to accumulated stocks of refined tin held in them in the East, have mutually agreed on a gradual release, by percentage monthly, to each participant of tin held in pool. Five per cent. will be released this month.

The total tin to be released during a period of twenty months is 17,600 tons, of which 11,000 tons will be in Straits ingots.

Some alarm is felt for a decrease in the price of tin, but the Straits Trading Company point out that shipments from the Straits will be increased only to a small extent.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

London, April 11.—In the First Division, Bolton lost to Tottenham by 2 goals to nil, whilst Sheffield United beat Sunderland by 5 goals to 3.—Reuter.

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PEAK RESIDENTS'  
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## Congestion on the Trams.

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SCHEMES.

An interesting discussion took place at the annual meeting of the Peak Residents' Association, held at the Peak Club last night, upon the congestion on the Peak Trams. The Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher C.M.G.) spoke of the difficulty of the problem and gave information on the various schemes which are under consideration by the Government.

Mr. V. M. Grayburn presided over the meeting and was supported by members of the Committee. There was a very representative attendance.

After the notice convening the meeting had been read by the Hon. Secretary (Mr. E. B. C. Hornell), the Chairman said:

Ladies and Gentlemen—I very much regret the delay in getting out our first annual report, also the necessity of having to postpone this meeting, which was originally called for the 5th April.

The work, however, of compiling the report in our hands was a good deal more arduous than was at first anticipated by the Hon. Secretary, and his troubles were further increased by a breakdown of the machinery whilst printing.

I therefore trust you will accept this explanation and be lenient.

Although the report has been in your hands for such a short time, I hope that you have been able to get a good idea of the work of this Association since its inauguration, and that in your opinion the work done has justified our existence and served a good purpose. (Applause).

Membership.

The report practically covers all the matters your General Committee have had under consideration: the subjects referred to therein are dealt with so fully that I do not think that it is necessary for me to make further reference to them this evening.

The question of accounts is a very small one. Subscriptions were \$250 and our expenses \$197.50—leaving us with \$115.50 in hand.

Before proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts I would impress upon you the necessity of obtaining more members to replace those who have either left the Colony for good or are on home leave.

It would greatly minimise the work of the Hon. Secretary if new residents would apply personally or in writing to him for application forms, instead of leaving him to search them out; and I think you will agree with me that if this Association is to be a really representative body, all residents in the Peak district, both men and women, should be members of this Association. It would also help him if members will send him as soon as possible their subscriptions for this year.

I take this opportunity of expressing the thanks of the General Committee to the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G., the Colonial Secretary, for the help and assistance he has given the Association in all matters which have been placed before the Government for their consideration. (Applause).

I would also express our thanks to the Committee of the Peak Club for allowing us to use this room for our Committee meetings and hope they will oblige us this year again.

We would welcome any suggestions for the benefit of the new Committee or discussion on the report. This is our first yearly statement and we are quite open to criticism.

With these few remarks I beg to propose that the Report and Accounts as presented be adopted. Will someone please second that?

A Precocious Infant.

Mr. R. Sutherland, seconding the resolution, said: Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to second the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented. All members of the Association cannot but realise the extraordinary usefulness of this little organisation, born only a year ago.

It seems a precious infant, already able to stretch its infantile hands to assist wherever need calls.

The wide scope of its activities are remarkable, and the note of

sound common sense which prevails

in the correspondence contained in the appendix to the report now

in your hands should prove a source

of satisfaction to those responsible

for electing the present office

bearers and Committee. All of them

are exceptionally busy men and the

Association owes a debt of gratitude

for their having carried out so

successfully new and somewhat

difficult duties.

I should particularly like to mention the valuable work of Mr. Grayburn, our worthy Chairman; also

Mr. Shenton, on whose shoulders much of the responsibility

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Membership.

On the proposition of Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, seconded by Mr. N. C. Wilson, Mr. V. M. Grayburn was unanimously re-elected Chairman.

The Chairman mentioned that Mr. W. E. L. Shenton was unable to offer himself for re-election as Vice-Chairman, on account of his going home shortly. He therefore proposed Mr. D. J. Lewis for the position. Mr. Lewis was one of the leaders in starting the Association, and as most of them knew he took a great deal of trouble in drawing up the rules and articles of association before going home.

The resolution was then put to the meeting and unanimously carried.

Election of Officers.

On the proposition of Mr. H. A. Nisbet, seconded by Mr. C. H. Dennison, Mr. V. M. Grayburn was unanimously re-elected Chairman.

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tramway. The other point was that they should endeavour to overcome the mechanical objections to the present tramway. They all of them wanted to see a car which would carry more people, and to the lay mind it seemed almost incredible that such a difficulty could not be overcome."

Hon. Mr. Fletcher explained that the mechanical difficulty could be overcome if residents were content with a lessening of the present speed. That was really the difficulty. The services in Switzerland and America had been studied and he knew of no country in the world where trams carrying the same number of passengers ran at the same rate of speed as the Peak trams.

## Tourist Parties.

Mr. H. A. Nott expressed the opinion that if the trams could be increased to accommodate another 12 or 15 passengers they would be able to meet the requirements for the next few years. He gathered that there were very great, if not insuperable, difficulties in doing this; but he thought that if they were tackled seriously they could be got over. The question had been under consideration for a long time and the congestion had been getting worse daily. He suggested that some steps should be taken at once to improve the present service. He realised that it had been greatly improved recently, but he felt convinced that more could be done in this direction. For instance, they might have a ten minute service from noon until 12.30, and also from 2.30 on Saturday and Sunday afternoons during the bathing season. At the present time, if one happened to be unfortunate enough to live in Barker Road it was impossible sometimes to get up or down. Very often this occurred through tourist parties monopolising the accommodation. They could not very well ask the Tramway Company to forego the revenue they obtained from this source, but he thought it might be suggested that they should make arrangements with the tourist agents to avoid the busy hours.

Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr suggested that a train when it was full should be allowed to start at once, instead of waiting, as often happened, for several minutes. That, he thought, would relieve the congestion somewhat. If a train started immediately it was full it could be back within seven or eight minutes, and off again. That would mean that in the course of half an hour or so they would be able to get one more journey in.

## Disgraceful Scramble.

Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher thought the Company might consider a scheme of issuing tickets to passengers as they arrived. "It is perfectly disgraceful the scrambling and pushing that goes on some occasions. Women and children are often pushed out of the way." There was the difficulty, of course, of people getting in at Kennedy Road and Barker Road, but it ought to be within the bounds of possibility to have some proper method of preventing the rushing of the trams.

Hon. Mr. B. L. Dovgiggin entirely concurred with Mr. Fletcher's remarks. He had himself been prevented from boarding three trams by people arriving at the last minute and pushing themselves on. He considered that only a limited number of persons should be allowed on the platform at a time.

Hon. W. C. Shiner thought that the difficulty in "the way" of Mr. Parr's proposal was that it took such a long time to load up the market coolies and their baskets in the morning.

Hon. Mr. Parr: That does not apply to the middle of the day or the evening.

## Non-Stop Trams.

Mr. E. B. C. Hornell asked whether it would not be possible to have certain of the trams run straight up to the Peak without stopping. At the present time Peak residents were crowded out by people who only wanted to go to Bowen Road and Kennedy Road.

Hon. Mr. Parr thought Mr. Hornell's idea an excellent one. Worked in conjunction with the suggestion he himself had made about the trams starting as soon as they were full, he thought it would relieve a good deal of the

congestion. The journey could be made in five or six minutes instead of at present seven, eight, or nine minutes.

The Chairman pointed out that one difficulty which would be experienced in regard to a non-stop tram would be by people going from the Peak only down to Bowen Road. It would mean that they would have to go right down to the bottom or wait for a tram which stopped at the half.

Hon. Mr. Parr said that residents who did not wish to travel right down would have to wait for the other cars.

Mr. Edkins supported the proposal for alternate non-stop trams to the Peak. It would enable the Company to increase the number of trams. He thought the proposal well worthy of serious consideration.

The Chairman suggested that the matter should be left to the incoming Committee to take up with the Tramway Company.

Sir William Rees Davies thought it would strengthen the hands of the Committee if a resolution on the subject was adopted by the meeting.

Mr. Gomperz seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

## The Peak Store.

Mr. A. Murdoch asked whether any information could be given regarding the support accorded to the Peak Hotel Store. He had been told that it had not been given the support that they might expect, and he thought the present a favourable opportunity for the Committee to impress upon the Peak residents.

Hon. Mr. Jenkins suggested that the only way to find the market value was to take the sales before the property in question was disposed of on January 11, 1921.

Mr. Little replied that he had taken the only sales he had been able to discover within a reasonable time.

Witness: I cannot answer that very well.

Do you agree with his valuation?

No, I do not agree with his valuation.

Is your own figure of \$50,000 based on what you consider to be the market value at that time?

Yes.

In cross-examination by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, counsel for the defendant, Mr. Little said he was aware that charges of having fraudulently sold the property at a gross undervalue on January 11th, 1921, had been made against the defendant.

Mr. Jenkins: You will therefore agree with me that you must judge his conduct by the position of the market on that date?

Witness: Yes.

One of the methods of arriving at the market value of the property, the witness said, was to take the actual sales over a period and strike an average. The witness was quite prepared to accept Mr. Jenkins's suggestion that no sales of similar property in the vicinity took place during the years 1919 and 1920.

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Fortunate.

Mr. Jenkins: Take any computation you like, you will find that the sales before January 11th, 1921, show that the highest market price is \$39,500 for two houses?

Mr. Little: I am prepared to accept that, but I would point out that none of those sales are within two years of the date of the sale.

Mr. Jenkins proceeded to put a question in which he referred to the solicitors who have been fortunate enough to secure your services.

"Do not be rude, Mr. Jenkins," interposed Mr. Potter.

"I am not rude," was Mr. Jenkins's retort.

"But you used the words 'unfortunate' to secure your services," Mr. Potter observed.

"No, I used the word 'fortunate,'" Mr. Jenkins replied. Mr. Potter was satisfied and smiled.

Mr. Jenkins: Do you say that the sale of these particular houses in 1921 at a figure of \$34,000 was a fraudulently gross undervalue?

Witness: I say the value was \$50,000 at that time.

What you say is that the defendant should have employed a broker to dispose of the property?

—I should certainly have employed a broker.

You perhaps do not know that he did? —It is not up to me to know what he did.

If he employed a broker and asked \$37,000 for that property and eventually got \$34,000, would you say that the sale was at a fraudulently gross undervalue? —I have not said that yet.

Would you say so? —I am only here to say what the value is.

The Chief Justice: I think that is a fair answer. The witness is not expected to indulge in flowers of rhetoric as to fraudulent intentions. He gives you his opinion as to what the property is worth.

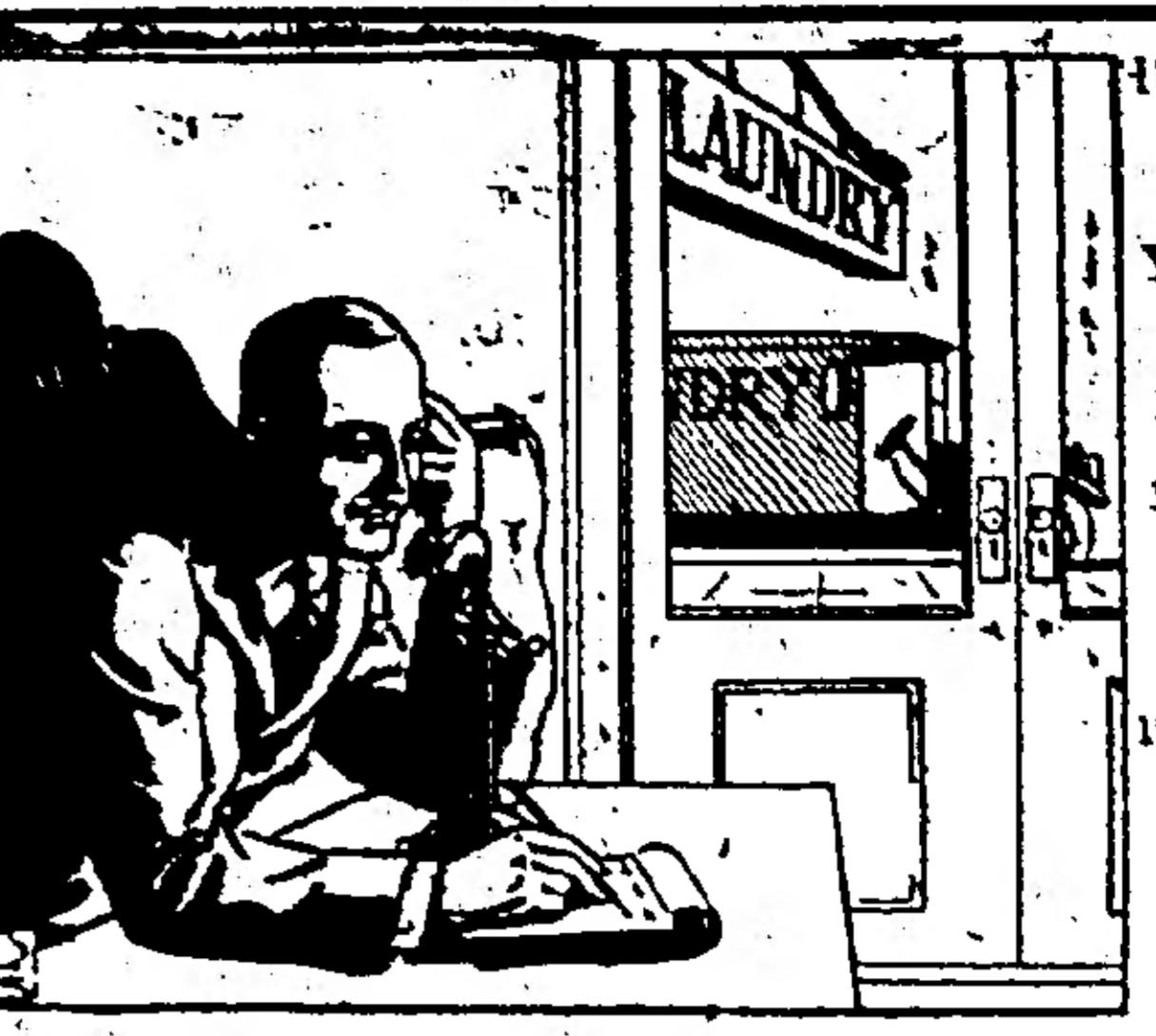
In reply to further questions the witness still held that the real value of the property was \$50,000. He pointed out that many Chinese property buyers were satisfied with a low rate of interest on account of the position of the premises. They got their profits from the business.

The Chief Justice: Mr. Bird said that the property in 1921 was worth no more than in 1922. Do you agree?

Witness: Property in 1922 was worth a little more. Properties improve every year. In other words the value of the property was less in 1921 than in 1922.

Big Demand.

The witness pointed out, in reply to further questions, that there was a big demand for property in this particular vicinity. A six per cent basis was a general basis for property of this kind. In buying premises for his own use he considered the percentage he was likely to get from it. He was content with the profits he would make on the business there.



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The witness agreed.

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E. P. HYNDMAN,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1923.

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A Meeting of Subscribers will be held on Monday, April 16th, 1923, at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. at 4.30 p.m.

All Subscribers are invited to attend.

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M. R. Thomas Andrew Barry has been appointed Assistant General Manager of the above Company as from the 11th April, 1923.

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Hongkong, 12th April, 1923.

THE HOUSING  
PROBLEM.Discussed by Chinese  
Chamber of Commerce.A Committee meeting of the  
Chinese General Chamber of Commerce  
was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Li Po-kwai presiding  
over a good attendance.Before dealing with the agenda  
the Chairman referred to the loss  
the Chamber had sustained through  
the death of the Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tez, one of its honorary patrons  
and a member of the Legislative Council. Mr. Ng Hon-tez's death,  
said the Chairman, was the more  
regrettable in view of the fact  
that the deceased gentleman was  
comparatively young. The Chairman  
suggested that a letter of condolence be sent by the Chamber to  
the bereaved widow and that the  
Secretary of the Chamber send  
the family to the funeral arrangements.Those present then stood up to  
pay a silent tribute to the deceased.  
Mr. Wong Kwong-tin proposed  
that the Chamber make it a practice  
to send sympathetic messages  
to the bereaved family when any  
member of the Committee died.  
Seconded by Mr. Tsui Woon-moo,  
the proposal was carried unanimously.The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock,  
Chairman of the Housing Commission,  
having written to the Chamber  
inviting suggestions in regard  
to the housing problem, Mr. Li  
Po-kwai said that material help  
could be given to Mr. Pollock if  
a sub-committee was appointed to  
study the questions of the Commission  
and then advise on them.  
It was desirable that members with  
knowledge of house building should  
form the sub-committee.

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HONGKONG, 13th April, 1923.

## A SPLENDID MOVEMENT.

To-day and to-morrow the Boy Scout movement in Hongkong is being brought to the notice of the public by the holding of a Jamboree and two concerts. In this connection we wish to emphasise that the Jamboree (held in the afternoons) is free to all, no charge for admission being made. This particular aspect of the functions will demonstrate what Boy Scouting really is, and give parents, teachers and others interested a clear insight into Scout craft.

The moment is opportune at which to express the opinion that no school in the Colony should be without its troop of Boy Scouts, because the movement is, above all else, educational in character. The Government would doubtless be prepared to assist the smaller and poorer schools with grants to enable them to take a direct interest in Boy Scout activity. Apart from the physical benefits which Scout training supplies, it teaches the lads to utilise their powers of observation, to be self-reliant, to use their hands as well as their brains, to be manly in disposition, to cultivate the duties and responsibilities of citizenship, to be amenable to discipline and to be cool and collected in times of danger. The work the Boy Scout is given to do interests his mind in healthful pursuits and helps him to realise that there are other and more beneficial things than "the pictures" with which he can fill in his spare hours. He is taught, also, to do things for himself. In camp, taken away from Chinese servants, he learns how to cook his own dinner, to clean his own boots, etc. Some of the Boy Scout's activities may appear childish to the adult mind, but we need to remember that such things as the Scout's uniform, the badges and the secret codes and signs make a special appeal to young lads. The Boy Scout is "taught how to play." As youngsters, most of us took a delight in activities similar to those in which the Boy Scout indulges, but the difference was that our play was unorganised—we "did not know how," as the Americans put it. For most of us, playing at Red Indians usually ended up in a fight as to who should be the Big Chief. The Scout idea is to combine useful work with play in an organised manner; the lads have to win their promotion by merit. But perhaps the greatest asset of the movement is to be found in

the inculcation of ideas of citizenship in the young mind. The other day, two Chinese Boy Scouts removed a murdered man to the Police Station when everybody else in the vicinity had run away—their Scout training stood them in good stead; they did their duty as youthful citizens. Another Scout recently saved a boy from drowning. These are the things which Scout law teaches the members of the cult. From every standpoint, the movement deserves well. That is why we hope that to-day and to-morrow the public will show their practical sympathy with it.

## Irish Prospects.

It is sad to think that there should be a feeling almost of jubilation over the death of the late Irish rebel leader, Liam Lynch, who was a brave though misguided man. It is the British spirit to pay tribute to a man who has the courage of his convictions, however wrong they might be; but sentiment has to be overlooked when practical results are taken into account. Thus, one can say that the death of Liam Lynch will probably prove to be a good thing for his country, inasmuch as the prospects of peace are thereby made much brighter. The latest news indicates what we have previously commented upon—the slow but sure breaking of the spirit of those in opposition. De Valera appears to be amenable to reason. No doubt he long ago realised that the Free State Government granted by Britain, added to the approval by the Church of the country of this new status, had made his cause a losing one. He has had several opportunities of burying the hatchet and becoming a figure of note in the development of a re-organised Erin, but has let them pass him by owing to his mistaken zeal. It may be that he will yet be able to take an honourable part in guiding the destinies of the land partly of his origin and wholly of his adoption. It is any amicable settlement that might be arrived at eventually—and we hope it will be soon—the part played by the Irish hierarchy in overcoming some of the most formidable obstacles will always be remembered.

## DISORDERS IN THE "HOUSE."

The new session of the House of Commons has been marked by a renewal of the Labourite tactics of "rough-house" speech and practice. The shades of the courtly M. Ps. of past generation, if they be still lingering in the halls of Westminster, must wince whenever some of the more free and boisterous phrases are in use. It is a case of different times, different manners. However, we fancy this fresh element in British politics might actually make for better government of the country if it does nothing more than jolt some of our more conservative Members of Parliament out of the rut of semi-somnolence that so many appear to follow. For one thing, sympathy will be more on the side of the Labourites on this occasion because the issue has been one still deeply affecting national sentiment—the treatment of ex-Service men. No doubt the more "gentle" representatives of the country, who probably have not lost the sporting spirit of their fathers, will welcome an occasional diversion such as a bout of fistfights on the floor of the House, as a respite after the humdrum routine of most of the ordinary Parliamentary sittings. In passing, one cannot refrain from noting the agility that the Government has shown in minimising the effects of its recent series of defeats, both in and outside the House. But—there has been just a little too much of this "non-confidence," and once the Government begins to lose the trust of the people its days will of a surety be numbered.

THE SHOOTING  
INCIDENT.PATIENT'S CONDITION STILL  
SERIOUS.

On enquiring this afternoon, we were informed that the condition of General Chan Wing-son, who is lying at the Government Civil Hospital, is still rather serious. He is about the same as he was yesterday, and it is as yet impossible to operate.

## DAY BY DAY.

NO MAN WITH A FIERY  
TEMPER CAN ACCOMPLISH MUCH.

There was one Chinese case of small-pox reported yesterday.

The last dance of the season in connection with the Kowloon Cricket Club takes place to-night at the Kowloon Theatre.

The police are offering a reward of \$1,000 for information which will lead to the arrest of the man who shot General Chan Wing-son.

Mariners are warned that the timing of the Kapsing Island light is erratic and is liable to become fixed, though the light is burning brightly.

Mr. J. R. Shaw, agent for the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., in Manila, has arrived in Hongkong in connection with the proposed elimination of Manila from the Empress liners' run.

According to regulations by the military commanders in Canton, people found conducting gambling houses are to be flogged fifty times "with a piece of board," men gamblers thirty times and women gamblers twenty times.

Recent arrivals in Hongkong include Lieut.-Col. Fitz G. Fitzgerald, D.S.O., of the R.A.M.C.; Lt.-Major F. S. White, D.S.O., of the R.A.S.C. and Mrs. White, Capt. E. S. Dicken, of the Army Dental Corps; and T/Lieut. M.G.W. Scott, of the R.E. Services, and Mrs. Scott.

Remarkable opportunities for the display of her dramatic power and the rare charm of manner which have made her a prince favourite among "movie" patrons the world over, are provided for Alice Joyce, the beautiful young Vitagraph star, in the title role of "Cousin Kate," a film version of which is being shown at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, this week.

To enable the citizens to supervise the financial administration of the central government in Canton, now the headquarters of the Generalissimo, Dr. Sun Yat-sen has approved of the regulations for the organisation of a commission of finance. The commission will have power to look into the expenditure of the central government in Canton. —Canton Daily News.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include groups of the Hongkong and Macao Portuguese football and tennis teams; a photo of Hongkong's jockeys; and portraits of Master Emil Charles Danenber, (aged 5½ years, who made his debut at his father's annual piano recital) and A. Rahman, the Colony's 100 yards and 220 yards champion runner.

PIRATES ON  
GUNBOAT.

## INCIDENT NEAR MACAO.

News to hand from a Macao correspondent states that a passenger junk which left for Kongmoon whilst of Chuchow was stopped by the gunboat Fook Hoi, on the pretext that the search of the vessel would be made. The junk was then towed to a place called Lai Chu Shan. All the better-class passengers, to the number of about 120, were then ordered to land and the junk was ransacked, all valuables on board being taken. The junk, with the crew and about twenty poorer passengers, was then released, but a few hours later she encountered three pirate junks. The crews of the latter came aboard and took away all the remaining cargo, after which the vessel was permitted to return to Macao, where a report of the affair was made.

Later news indicates that the gunboat, prior to its stopping the junk, had been seized by pirates as the result of a trick. It seems that the pirates signalled to the gunboat stating that they were smuggling salt, and that if the gunboat would escort them, liberal "squeeze" would be paid. The crew of the gunboat agreed, but shortly afterwards the pirates surprised the naval men and took complete charge of the gunboat.

HONGKONG BOY  
SCOUTS.

## TO-DAY'S JAMBOREE.

Signalling apparatus, specimens of knotting, cases of butterflies, bowls containing various members of the aquatic species, electrical contrivances to which the writer would hesitate to give a name, and all kinds of other paraphernalia connected with scouting activities greeted the eyes of a Telegraph reporter who called at the City Hall this morning.

It will all be used at the Boy Scout's Jamboree, the Scouts of the Colony are giving at the City Hall to-day and to-morrow.

All the rooms on the first floor will be in use. In St. Andrew's Hall specimens of Scout handicraft will be on view and the Scouts themselves will be seen at work. St. George's Hall is to be used as an arena, in which the Scouts will give displays. One of these will be the construction of a 24 feet trestle bridge by a squad of Scouts drawn from the troops and instructed by Staff Sergeant Best, R.E.

Exhibitions will be given of sick nursing, tailoring, basket-making, bookbinding, carpentry, art, naturalist work, metal-working and die-carving, showing how the movement is helping to make the boys into useful citizens, and, judging by the specimens the Telegraph representative saw this morning, the local Scouts have attained a wonderful state of proficiency in some of these branches. There will also be a camp scene, and a sea scout exhibition of knotting and splicing, and a club room where instruction will be given in various forms of Scout work.

In the arena, displays will be given of Swedish drill, Chinese exercises, uses of the Scout staff, stretcher drill, trek cart work, ceremony of investiture of Scouts, and life saving instruction.

There is to be a propaganda and publication department and a refreshment room.

The Jamboree will be opened by H.E. the Governor, Chief Scout of Hongkong, at four o'clock this afternoon. The Jamboree closes at seven o'clock. Admission is free.

To-night the Scouts stage in the Theatre Royal a Scout Camp Concert. An excellent programme has been arranged for this, including songs, recitations, violin solo, Chinese exercises, a sketch, music, shadow acting, illuminated club swinging, etc., concluding with the much-looked-forward-to Scouts' A. D. C. effort "A Storm in a Tea Cup" or "Potted Tempest."

BOYCOTT OF THE  
OLYMPIAD.APPEAL TO CHINESE  
SPORTSMANSHIP.

SHANGHAI, April 12.

In connection with the attempt to prevent Chinese athletes participating at the Olympiad owing to the anti-Japanese boycott movement, Dr. J. H. Gray, secretary of the local Olympiad committee, in an announcement emphasises that the games are non-political, and hence do not affect the attitude between China and Japan on political questions, and that therefore by withdrawing, China would not be accomplishing the purpose of the boycott, and also that they are not Japanese games because they are being held at Osaka. By withdrawing, China might seriously injure her place in international athletics, as other nations might retaliate by ignoring China in future contests, and accuse the Chinese of being bad sportsmen.

Dr. Gray urges the Chinese to enter their best athletes and make the games a genuine expression of the real spirit of the Chinese people. —Courtesy: "Daily Bulletin."

## TROOPS FOR FUJIKEN.

## THE LATEST MOVEMENT.

SHANGHAI, April 12.—It is reported that the battalions at Woosung are under orders to proceed to Fukien.

It is also reported that Lu Yung-hsiang is moving his troops to the Kiangsi border.

It is believed that the advance of Wu Pei-fu's adherents into Fukien from the North is bringing Lu Yung-hsiang into the field. —Courtesy: "Daily Bulletin."

PEAK TRAM  
CONGESTION.COMPANY INTRODUCING  
PALLIATIVE MEASURES.BARRIER AND THROUGH  
CARS.

In view of the discussion, at yesterday's meeting of the Peak Residents' Association, of the present state of congestion on the Peak tramway, and the suggestions put forward for remedying this state of affairs, it is gratifying to learn that the Peak Tramways Company are about to introduce measures which should greatly relieve the inconvenience now suffered by Peak residents.

A representative of the Telegraph who called this morning at the offices of the general managers of the Peak Tramways, Messrs. John D. Humphreys and Son, gleaned some interesting particulars of reforms that have already been decided on; and Mr. H. Humphreys, in the course of a chat with our representative, also pointed out the impracticability of some of the suggestions made at yesterday's meeting.

The idea of running a double tramway, said Mr. Humphreys, is bound to be impracticable. The Company during the past twelve months has laid the lines with heavier rails, to take larger cars, and it was the intention of the Company to put on larger cars, and also to electrify the tramway. The Government, however, are opposed to the use of bigger cars.

The suggestion that there be a lessening of the present speed is also not feasible. The Company could not run so many cars as at present were the speed reduced, and they would therefore carry fewer passengers, and even larger cars at a lower speed would not be a remedy, as they could not be run at ten minute intervals, and the congestion would be the same.

As for the question of improving the time-table, this is under consideration, and an improvement will be introduced if possible.

## NON-STOP SERVICE.

The Company, added Mr. Humphreys, has decided to have non-stop cars at certain hours of the day. This decision was come to before the date for the meeting of the Peak Residents' Association.

The better control of passenger traffic at the lower terminus was also decided upon before the meeting took place. The intention is to have a barrier, by means of which early arrivals will have preference over late-comers. This should serve to control the traffic to a great extent.

Our representative mentioned that at present a season-ticket holder can walk up to the Kennedy Road station, come down to the lower terminus, and retain his seat, thereby ensuring accommodation for the up journey. Mr. Humphreys pointed out that there is nothing to prevent this practice on the part of holders of season-tickets, who can sit in a tramcar all day if they so desire.

"One suggestion that is wholly impracticable," Mr. Humphreys concluded, "is that when a tramcar is full it should start at once. The Company have to keep to the scheduled time, and even if a car be full two minutes before time, the corresponding car above might be half empty, so that anyone who was even a minute before time, finding the car had gone, would not only have reasonable cause for complaint, but possibly also an action for damages."

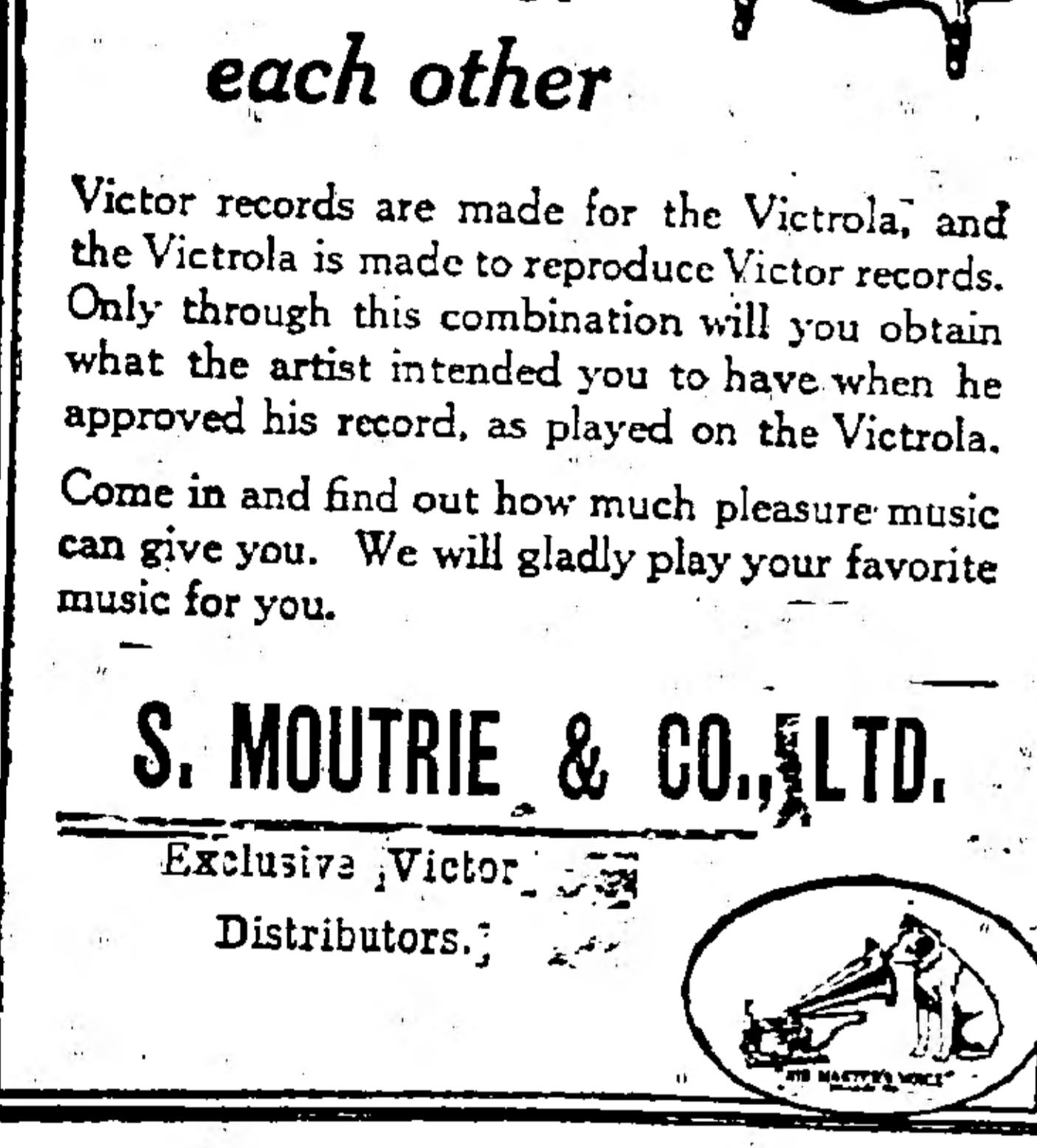
The main point is that the Peak Tramways Company, finding that there is congestion on the cars, is doing what it can to relieve the situation. It is hoped that the through cars and the platform barrier at the lower terminus will go a long way towards bringing about the desired relief.

## THE RAIN.

## ANOTHER GOOD FALL.

There was another good fall of rain last night and this morning, though not so heavy as the previous record. The total fall for the 24 hours ended 10 a.m. to-day was 1.13 inch, as against 4 inches for the previous 24 hours.

The total since January 1st is now 6.72 inches, which compares with the average for the period of 8.07 inches.



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## THE BOYCOTT IN CANTON.

## Students' Campaign Against Japan.

The Cantonese students are not behind those in the North in their agitation against Japan, says a writer in the *Canton Daily News*. At their meeting the other day, they decided to call a mass meeting of all citizens on April 22, publish a weekly, print copies of the 21 demands to arouse the people, and cable the Chinese Legation and students in Japan to put pressure on Japan to yield to the Chinese, organise a committee of students to inspect imports so as to prevent the incoming of low grade goods, form a dramatic club as another means of educating the public regarding the Sino-Japanese question, display lantern slides for similar purposes after every moving picture show, invite all shops to put up the sign "Boycott Japanese Goods," and advise the stevedores not to unload goods from Japan. The writer proceeds:—"The influence of the students cannot be disregarded in Canton. It will be able to make itself felt upon the shop keepers and the labourers. The students will be lawless at times, no doubt, but the people at large will listen to them just the same. At present, China has not one leader who is able to command the whole country, province, or community, and the people, to avoid trouble, will listen to all advice; and as the students will use the name of patriotism to enforce their resolutions, the general public, especially the great mass, will follow. The more thinking part of the Chinese people may not all approve of all or any part of the action of the students, but they have no power. The more thinking class in China has the misfortune of having among them the so-called leaders of the people, the politicians and the militarists. For the present, the students as a class have more influence upon the mass than the officials and the merchants. The labourers are against the merchants and the officials. Whether or not the labourers are right in this attitude, it is at present hard to say, but they do listen more to the students than the merchants."

## War Against the North.

At a conference of Cantonese students and those representing the North last Tuesday afternoon, it was decided to withdraw recognition of the Peking Government and the Peking Parliament, to labour for the abolition of militarism, and to participate in foreign affairs. It was also decided to petition the Generalissimo to declare war against the Northern Government in Peking. A committee of students was to have called on Dr. Sun Yat-sen on Wednesday.

## More Advice.

A correspondent informs us that the students are advising the merchants and the members of the Union of Guilds and the Marine Officers' Union to co-operate in preventing the importation of Japanese goods. A Students' Investigation Bureau has been formed and in a declaration just published it states that they must join hands to prevent being made "slaves" and the best way to do this is to refuse to have any financial transactions with the Japanese.

## LADY MUSICIANS.

## Miss May Mukle Arrives.

Miss May Mukle, the noted cellist, together with Miss Rebecca Clarke (violinist) and Miss Gertrude Watson (pianist) arrived in Hongkong this morning by the Blue Funnel s.s. *Mentor*. These lady musicians have been giving a most successful series of recitals in India, Java, the Straits, etc., and they will be heard in Hongkong on Tuesday next. The recital is to take place at the City Hall at 5.30 p.m., the programme being as follows:

Violoncello Solo.—Sonata in A, *Adagio* and *Allegro* (Boccherini).  
Trio for Pianoforte, Violin and Violoncello.—*Dumky*, in four movements (Dvorak).

Violoncello Solo.—(a.) Bois *Eau* (Lully-Mukle); (b.) *Guitarre* (Kazkowski).

Trio.—Colonial Song (Percy Glinger).  
Violoncello Solo.—(a.) *Idylle* (Bms); (b.) Swedish Folk Tune; (c.) *Elfins Dance* (Popper).

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## BOYS' FOOTBALL.

## Match Which Ended in Stabbing.

The story of a street football match which ended in disaster was related at the Police Court this morning in a case in which a little Chinese boy was charged with assaulting another boy on the 6th instant.

With a large tennis ball a match had been improvised at Wellington Street. All went well until one side had scored a goal, and the unfortunate keeper held up the ball preparatory to sending it down the field again when he rubbed a player, the complainant in the case, who tried to kick away the ball from the keeper's hand, but hurt the latter instead.

Enraged, the keeper followed up the enthusiastic player with a penknife in his hand and drove the blade into his back. It was at first feared that the lung was punctured, but after an examination by the surgeon at the Government Civil Hospital this fear was proved groundless. The injury was serious enough, however, to necessitate the boy's detention in the hospital. His assailant, Yip Kam-wa, had been remanded several times and to-day the facts of the case were related to Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Mr. McCallum appearing for the defence.

Mr. McCallum said he had no desire to minimise the gravity of the offence, but pointed out that any fine imposed on the boy would have to be borne by the parents. The defendant was accidentally kicked and that put him into a passion.

His Worship bound over the defendant in a sum of \$100 for six months, with the mother as surety, for his good behaviour during that period. He advised that a severe whipping be administered to the defendant at home. An order was also made that a sum of \$5 be paid to the complainant as "medicine money."

## CANTON NEWS.

## Some Interesting Items.

A Canton correspondent informs us that the purchasers of public property hesitate to complete their purchases, fearing that they will lose their money in the event of the sales being declared void.

A number of Municipal Councillors have sent an official letter to the Mayor demanding an explanation why the Police Tax has been increased 50 per cent. and asking why public properties have been sold without the approval of the Council. They demand a reply within five days.

A Grave Registration Bureau is about to be established, for the purpose of levying taxes on all graves throughout the province. The proceeds are to be used in meeting the expenses of the Judicial Department.

Young Wioh-tai, the former Treasurer under Mok Wing-sun, has arrived from Shanghai. It is said that he has been delegated by Shum Chun-hsun to consult with Dr. Sun regarding reunification.

The Municipality has invited tenders for the leasing of twenty-five piers along the new Shakes Bund, the upset premium being \$250,000.

A Macao correspondent informs us that Mayor Sun Po of Canton has arrived there and after calling on the Governor he visited wealthy merchants and residents requesting them to take part in the Finance Commission meeting in Canton, but they all refused.

## KING'S REGIMENT.

## New Colonel Arrives.

Accompanied by his wife and two children, Lieut.-Col. W. A. Blake, C.M.G., D.S.O., recently arrived in the Colony to command the 2nd Battn. King's Regiment in succession to Colonel Hyslop, who recently retired.

Brevet-Colonel William Alan Blake was educated at Charterhouse and entered the Army (Liverpool Regiment) in 1893. He was appointed to the Wiltshire Regiment in the following year, was made Captain in 1905 and Staff Captain in 1914. For his services in the European War he was mentioned in despatches, won the D.S.O. was given the C.M.G. decoration and promoted Brevet-Colonel. He is 44 years of age and in 1919 he married a daughter of the late Mr. John Harrison Packard, of Swafield Hall, North Walsham.

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## PAWNBROKER CHARGED.

## Trouble Regarding a Tent.

An accountant of the Yuen Hung pawnshop at Whitfield was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with failing to detain, for enquiry, a houseboy who came into the shop on the 15th instant to pawn a canvas tent, later established as being the property of his mistress, Mrs. Blunsdon, of No. 50 Whitfield.

It transpired, in evidence, that the loss was not discovered until some days later and the pawnbrokers were not notified until April 3rd.

Defendant stated that the houseboy had been a continuous customer and he had no particular reason to suspect him when he came into the shop on this occasion with the tent.

An adjournment of the case was ordered by the Magistrate.

## FOKIS' QUARREL.

## Scared Man's Escapade.

Shouting "Save Life!" last night a big man was seen running away from another along Hollywood Road. He gave a yell every time the other fellow struck him with his fist. A constable came on the scene and took both men to the station, and there the runaway made a lot of fuss as to his injuries. He insisted that he was seriously hurt and was not satisfied until he had been sent to the Government Civil Hospital. Examination revealed no marks on him, and he was sent back to the station.

A charge of assault was preferred against the other man at the Police Court this morning. Inspector Purdin explained that both men were foks in a grocery shop and the quarrel between them arose over the question of obstruction of the doorway of the shop by packing cases.

His Worship ruled out the summons, and bound both men over.

## BRAVERY TO BE REWARDED.

## A Plucky Harbour Office Messenger.

In the presence of the Harbour Office staff this morning, Comdr. Beckwith congratulated a messenger named Wong To on his bravery in arresting a thief in Lower Lascar Row on April 2nd. As a result of Wong's spirited action the miscreant was handed over to the authorities and is paying for his wrongdoings by undergoing a sentence of three months' hard labour.

Comdr. Beckwith said he would like the other messengers to emulate Wong To's example. If they saw a chance of making a case they should go for it. When they heard cries of "Stop thief!" or "Snatching!" they should not wait; they should go out and look for it and find out what was happening. The Harbour Master congratulated Wong To and promised that he would see that he received promotion as soon as possible.

The Municipality has invited tenders for the leasing of twenty-five piers along the new Shakes Bund, the upset premium being \$250,000.

A Macao correspondent informs us that Mayor Sun Po of Canton has arrived there and after calling on the Governor he visited wealthy merchants and residents requesting them to take part in the Finance Commission meeting in Canton, but they all refused.

## A PUZZLE A DAY.

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

Rearrange the nine digits shown above, so that every row of three, left to right, top to bottom, and cross-cross, adds up to the same total.

Yesterday's answer:  
If a moving cog-wheel is revolving about a stationary wheel of the same size, the moving wheel will make two complete turns in completing its circuit. This can be proven by experimenting with two pennies.

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## COINS OF THE EMPIRE

Mr. Eustace L. Eskell has presented to the Royal Colonial Institute a collection of about 400 silver and copper coins issued in the Dominions, Colonies, and India. This is a valuable and interesting collection, representative of the coinage of the Overseas Empire, and it is hoped that it will form the nucleus of a more extensive collection and will encourage Fellows of the Institute to present further specimens. The collection contains numerous interesting varieties, including some of the early Indo-Syrian coins and numerous examples of tokens issued in Australia and elsewhere. Amongst them is a token commemorating the opening of the Sydney railway on 26th September, 1855, and several

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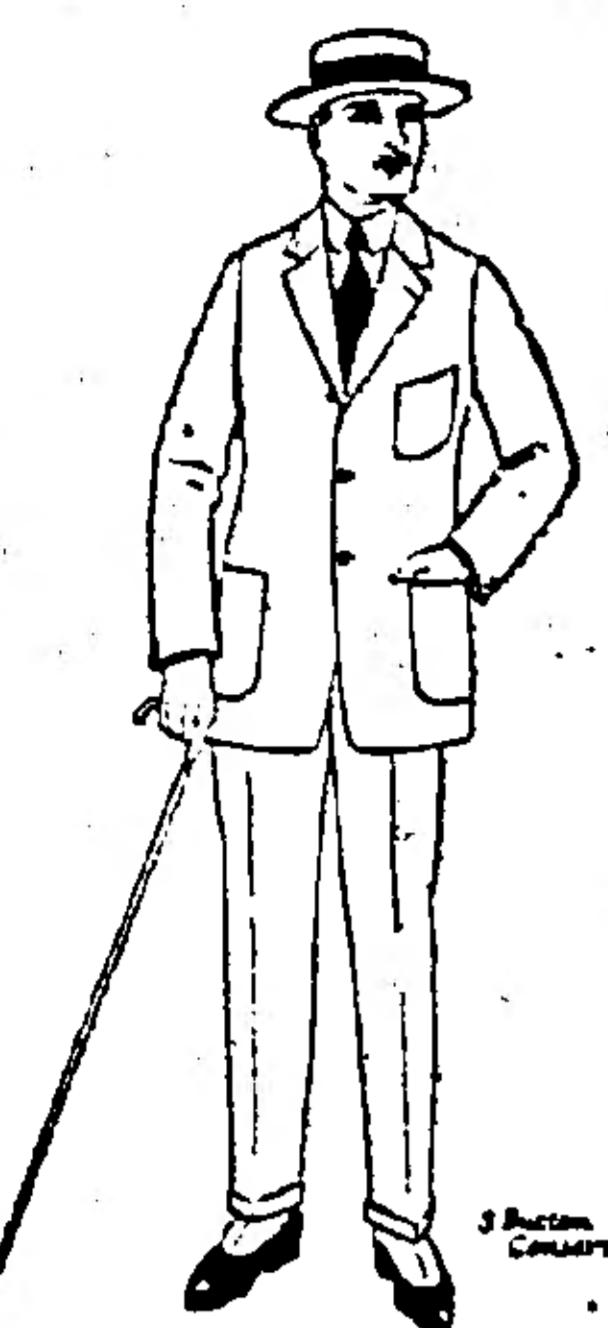
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## THE COLONIAL DISPENSARY

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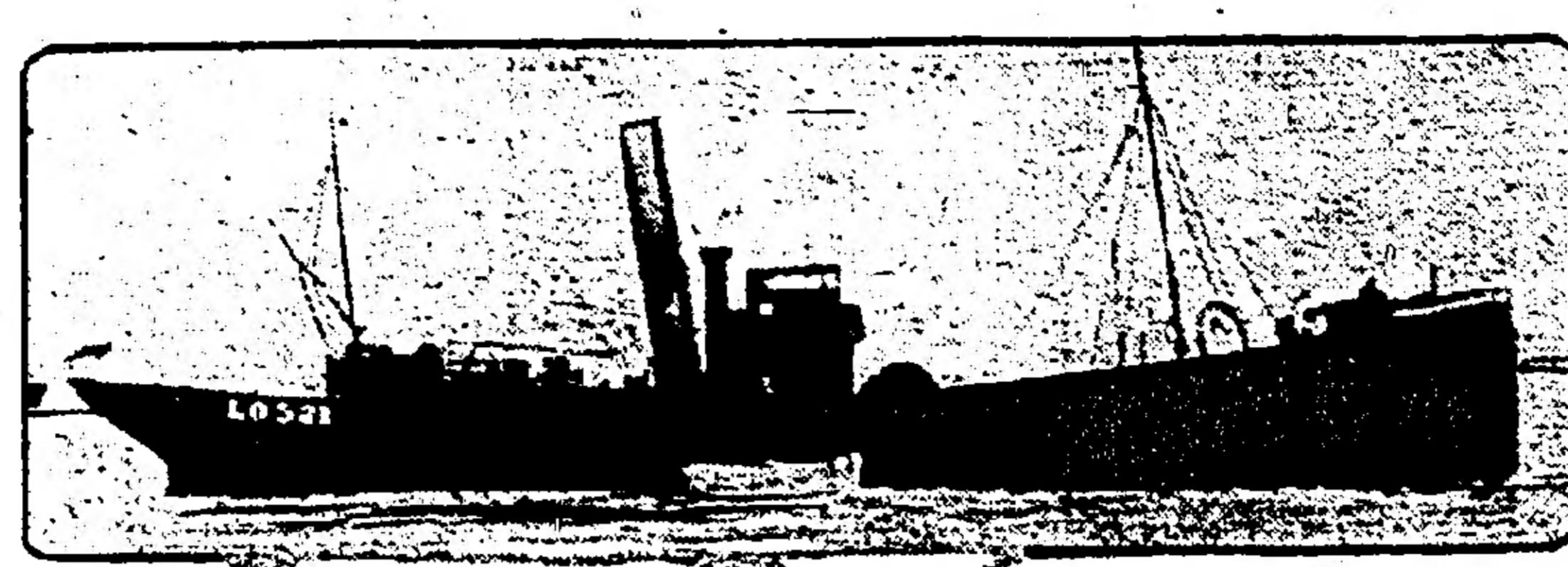
For  
Ladies,  
Gents  
and  
Children

Most  
Up  
to  
Date  
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**Keds**

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The Irish Navy is now a fact. Here in Dan Laochairs harbour is one of the three patrol boats which constitute the sea force of the Irish Free State.



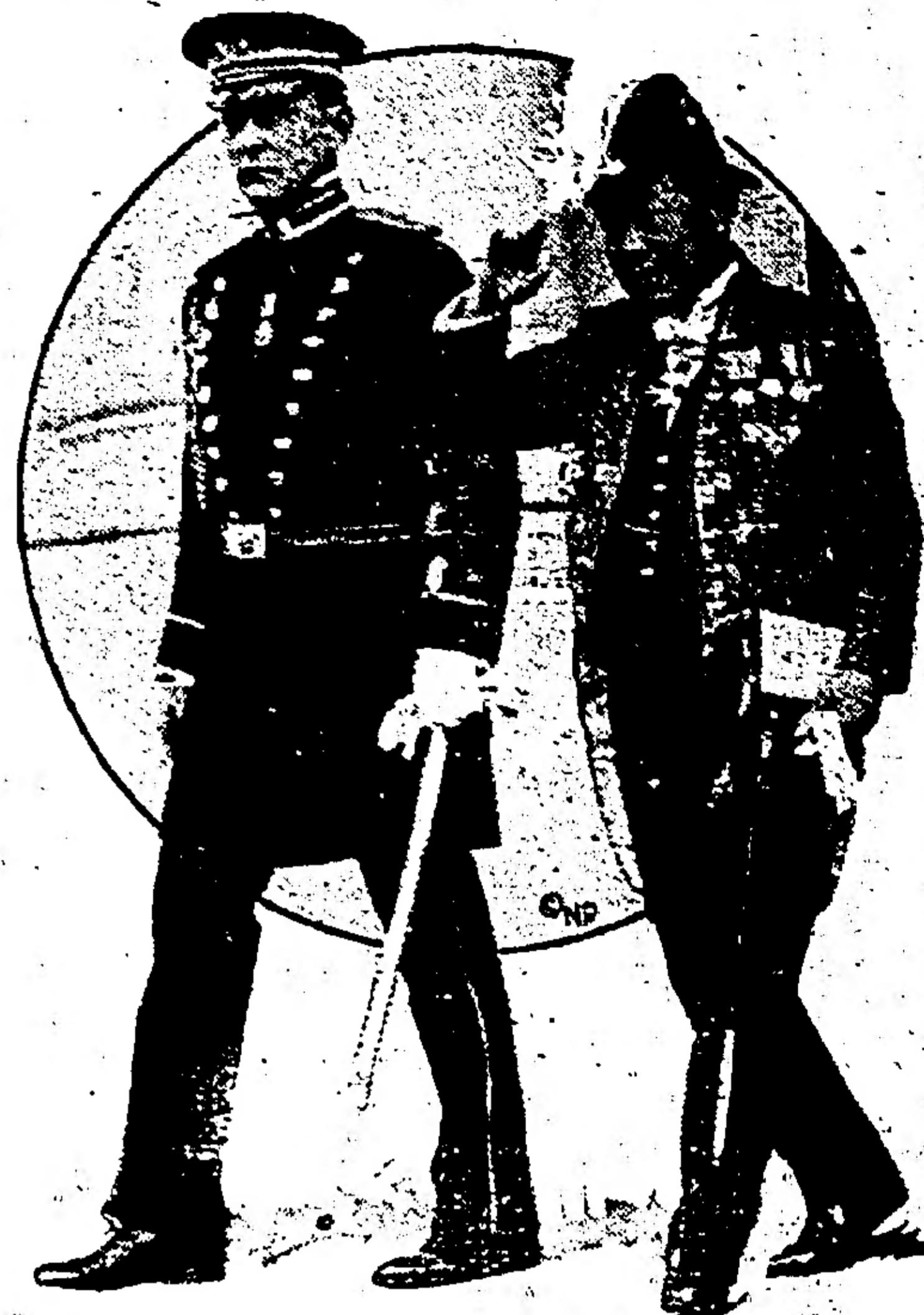
A diving sled, of the type shown above, has been perfected in Germany. It will permit divers to traverse the bottom of the sea in search of wealth sunk by submarines, it is thought.



For a bet, this man strolled through the streets of London in a suit of armour and dined at a fashionable hotel, attired as a knight of old.



Signor Benavente, the great Spanish dramatist and winner of the Nobel prize, is shown here. He is about to tour America, lecturing in the leading universities.



Mr. Hanihara, new Japanese Ambassador to America, leaves White House accompanied by Colonel C. C. Sherrill, the President's Military A.D.C.



Lady Rochester, daughter-in-law of the Earl of Carravon, has been a prominent figure in the society group which gathered in the Valley of the Nile to view the discoveries of her father-in-law.



A party of armed men, led by a woman, were responsible for the almost complete destruction by bombs of the house of Colonel Alexander McCabe in Dublin.



Here is Jim Jeffries, former heavy-weight champion, who hopes to rival Billy Sunday as an evangelist.

## SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day.

## Vessels Arrived

Vessel	Agents	From	To	Mooring
Prosper	Pat Tai Cheong	Canton		39
Somning	B & S			10
Kiang		Bangkok via Swatow		11
Kweichow		Tientsin via Weihaiwei		34
Hsien	M. B. K.	Canton		45
Van Vollenhoven	Kai Yn	Haiphong via Hoihow		56
Kufunian M.	Suzuki & Co.	Saigon		37
Yat Shing	J. M. & Co.	Bangkok via Swatow		38
Malay M.	O. S. K.	Osaka via Moji		46
Englee	Yee Tai Hong	Canton		12
Bannoor	Gibb Lly.	London via S'pore		50
Shantung	B & S	Shanghai		Wht.
Turangian M.	M. B. K.	Shanghai		Wht.
Wesang	J. M. & Co.	Shanghai via Swatow		Wht.

## Clearances

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Rocking	J. M. & Co.	Calcutta via S'pore	12th April
Booster	J. G. J. L.	Yokohama via S'hai	
Engie	Yee Tai Hong	Foochow	
Chiphing	J. M. & Co.	Canton	13th April
Malay M.	O. S. K.	Calcutta via S'pore	
Bannoor	Gibb Lly.	Shanghai	
Wesang	J. M. & Co.	Canton	
Hok Canton	B & S	Fort Bayard	
Haiching	D. L. & Co.	Foochow via Swatow	
Loongang	J. M. & Co.	Manila	
Mingang		Haiphong via Hoihow	
Pong Tong	Yee Seng-Fat	Canton	
Clara Jeaon	Wing Fat Hong	Rangoon via S'pore	
Hawh Wa	Dowell & Co.	Chinawato	
Kangwua M.	N. Y. K.	Buenos Aires via Saigon	
Japan	B. I. S. N.	Calcutta via S'pore	
Van Cloon	J. C. J. L.	Delhi via S'pore	

## Impending Departures

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Sammar Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	14th April
Andra Lisbon	M. M.	Shanghai	15th
Sibera M.	T. E. K.	San Francisco	15th
Matsuoto M.	N. Y. K.	Rotterdam	15th
St. Albans	P. & O.	Japan	15th
Tjukembaz	J. C. J. L.	Bulit	16th
Lysang	B & S	Hamburg	16th
P. Jackson	Ad. Line	Victoria	16th
Tjiluwong	J. C. J. L.	Japan	16th
P. Wilson	P. M. Co.	Manila	17th
C. M. Malibol	M. M.	Dunkirk	17th
Armand Benic	M. M.	Marseille	17th
Tak-toyo Marc	N. Y. K.	Panama	17th
Yatabing	J. M. & Co.	S'pore	17th
Laisang	J. M. & Co.	Calcutta	17th
Ha-hong	D. L. & Co.	Foochow	17th

## Impending Arrivals

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Vessel	Agents	From	To	Date
Sammar Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan		13th April
Andra Lisbon	M. M.	Shanghai		13th
Sibera M.	T. E. K.	San Francisco		13th
Matsuoto M.	N. Y. K.	Rotterdam		13th
St. Albans	P. & O.	Japan		13th
Tjukembaz	J. C. J. L.	Bulit		13th
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Ha-hong	D. L. & Co.	Foochow		13th

## Consignees Diary

(Compiled from our Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Goods	Storage	Free	Claims	Examination
Venice	D. & Co.	Kowloon	April 10	April 20	Apr. 10	
Wacker	J. C. J. L.	Kowloon	April 17	April 27	Apr. 17	
Bannoor	G. L. & Co.	Kowloon	April 18	May 1	April 18	

## Steamers' Movements

Empress of Canada arrived at Kobe on the 12th April, left Kobe on the 12th April and is due at Yokohama on the 13th April.

## TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Stock Exchange.		Sharebrokers' Association	
H. K. & S. Bank	b. 1110	a. 1115 20	b. 1120 a. 1115 20
Bank of E Asia	b. 102	a. 102	b. 102
Marine Insur.	b. 62	a. 62	b. 62
Cantons	b. 138	a. 138	b. 138
Unions	b. 243	a. 250	b. 247 a. 250 322
Yangtze	b. 20	a. 24	b. 24
Fire Insur.	b. 117	a. 118	b. 117
H. K. Fires	b. 4.5	a. 4.5	b. 4.5
Douglas	b. 52	a. 52	b. 52
H. K. Steamboats	b. 321	a. 321	b. 321
Indos (Pref.)	b. 49	a. 49	b. 49
Indos Def. Ind. Reg.	b. 250	a. 250	b. 250
Indo Def. H. K. Reg.	b. 250	a. 250	b. 250
Shells	b. 55	a. 55	b. 55
Ferries	b. 52	a. 52	b. 52
China Smacks	b. 24	a. 24	b. 24
Malibon	b. 4	a. 4	b. 4
Kai Lin	b. 33	a. 33	b. 33
Lancks Combined	b. 23	a. 23	b. 23
Rafts	b. 9	a. 9	b. 9
Tronons	b. 25/-	a. 25/-	b. 25/-
Ural Caspian	b. 12/5	a. 12/5	b. 12/5
Benguet Consol.	b. 12/5	a. 12/5	b. 12/5
Docks Wharves, Godowns & Co.	b. 174	a. 175 174	b. 174 a. 175 174
H. K. Wharves	b. 175 175	a. 175 175	b. 175 175
H. K. Docks	b. 102	a. 102	b. 102
Shanghai Docks	b. 102	a. 102	b. 102
N. Engineering	b. 102	a. 102	b. 102
Shanghai Hongkew	b. 250	a. 250	b. 250
Central Estates	b. 4.6	a. 4.6	b. 4.6
H. K. Hotels	b. 321	a. 321	b. 321
H. K. Mills	b. 321	a. 321	b. 321
H. K. Land	b. 417	a. 416 420	b. 417 a. 416 420
H. K. Fire	b. 262	a. 272 270	b. 262 a. 272 270
H. K. Land	b. 78	a. 80	b. 78
H. K. Reclaims	b. 103	a. 103	b. 103
Ewo' Cottons	b. 15	a. 14 15/0	b. 15 a. 14 15/0
Oriental Cottons	b. 8	a. 8	b. 8
Shanghai Cotton	b. 112	a. 112	b. 112
Cements	b. 282	a. 282	b. 282 a. 282 281
China Light	b. 154	a. 156	b. 156 a. 156 70
China Light	b. 135	a. 135	b. 135 a. 135
China Provisions	b. 221	a. 221	b. 221 a. 221
Dairy Farms	b. 244	a. 244	b. 244
Electric H. K.	b. 314	a. 322	b. 314 a. 322
Electric H. K.	b. 32	a. 32	b. 32 a. 32
Electric H. K.	b. 37	a. 37	b. 37 a. 37
Electric H. K.	b. 45	a. 45	b. 45 a. 45
Electric H. K.	b. 203	a. 202	b. 203 a. 202
Peak Trans.	b. 104	a. 104	b. 104 a. 104
Peak Trans.	b. 11	a. 11	b. 11 a. 11
Steel Foundries	b. 121	a. 121	b. 121 a. 121
Water-boats	b. 164	a. 164	b. 164 a. 164
Wismes	b. 18	a. 18	b. 18 a. 18
Wm. Powell	b. 18	a. 18	b. 18 a. 18
Lane Crawfords	b. 182	a. 182	b. 182 a. 182
Canton Ices	b. 91	a. 91	b. 91 a. 91
Nanyang Tob.	b. 24.80	a. 24.80	b. 24.80 a. 24.80
Ginsers	b. 112	a. 112	b. 112 a. 112
H. K. Constructions	b.		

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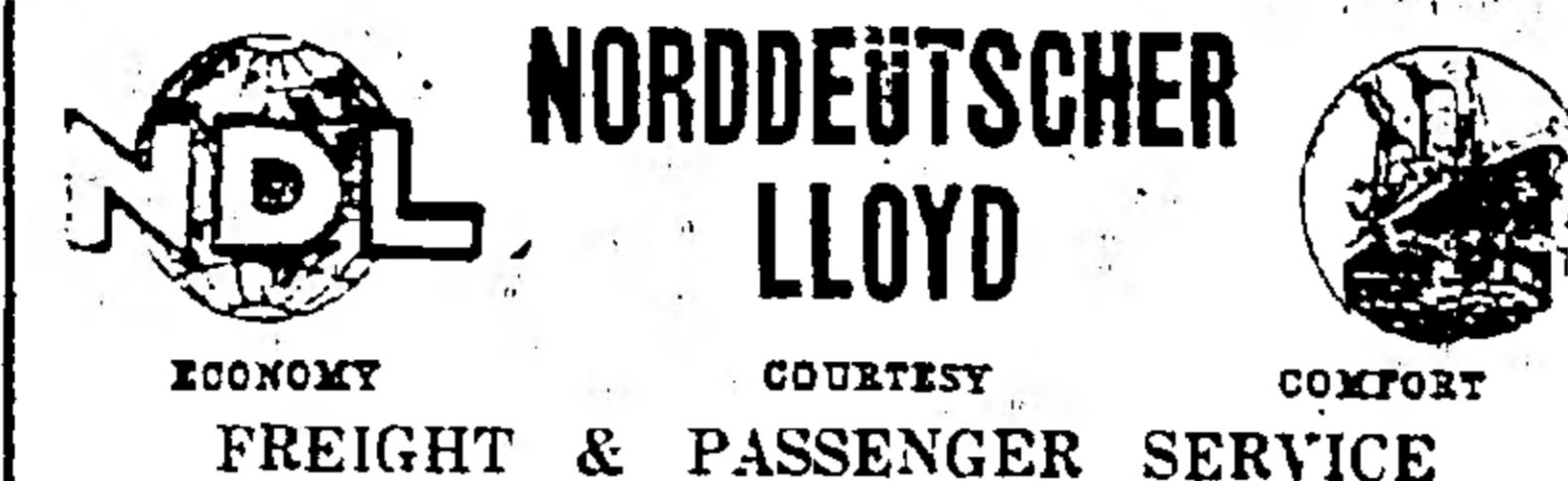
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S.S. EGYPT ..... 30th May.

S.S. EGYPT ..... 31st May.

S.S. EGYPT ..... 1st June.

S.S. EGYPT ..... 2nd June.

S.S. EGYPT ..... 3rd June.

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S.S. EGYPT ..... 5th June.

S.S. EGYPT ..... 6th June.

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S.S. EGYPT ..... 9th June.

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S.S. EGYPT ..... 12th June.

S.S. EGYPT ..... 13th June.

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## CANTON GOVERNOR.

## On Visiting the Colony.

General Tsui Shu-ching, the Governor of Canton, has arrived in Hongkong on an official visit. He called at Government House this morning and was received by His Excellency Sir Edward Studd.

With the object of improving the present friendly relations between the merchant class of this Colony and the Canton Government General Tsui at the Kamling Hotel-to-night will give an official banquet, for which invitations have been circularised to all the leading Chinese residents. To-morrow, at the Hongkong Hotel, the compliment will be returned by the merchants giving a banquet.

We are informed that the visiting official is the guest of Sir Robert Ho Tung, at "Idlewild," Seymour Road, and that H. E. the Governor will this afternoon return his call there.

## TYphoon.

## First Warning To-day.

Hongkong received the first typhoon warning of the season to-day. The first news of the existence of the storm came through at a quarter to seven this morning. The typhoon is stated to be in Latitude 19 degrees north, Longitude 113 degrees east. The direction is unknown and the radius uncertain. The red cone—the No. 1 signal—was hoisted.

The Observatory report to-day states that "a typhoon or depression appears to have formed to the south of Hongkong early this morning, but its direction of motion is at present unknown." The forecast indicates strong north-east winds, possibly increasing to a gale later.

## TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Senator Lodge, who is said to be considering retirement from the Republican leadership in the American Senate, is a typical product of Boston culture and Boston political integrity. He is one of the few American statesmen whose name is familiar in Britain, both as a great international lawyer and a politician with world interests. He has been thirty years a senator, and has found time to write many valuable historical books dealing chiefly with the development and progress of the United States. He is also a poet of some achievement. He might perhaps be called the Bryce of modern America.

The Cafe' Royal, the famous Regent-street resort, which is to be rebuilt and remodelled as part of the Regent-street improvements, has always had a curiously dual life, and there has been much more than a flight of stairs between the Bohemian cafe' of the ground floor and the smart French restaurant overhead, one of the last places in London where they washed your change before giving it to you. It has been the nearest approach in London to the Continental cafe, and art, letters and music have owed a good deal to the free discussion in its most famous room. Let us hope that the old characteristics will be retained in the new building.

The collection of portraits of his predecessors in the Speaker's official residence, has, by the action of Lord Lyttelton's posterity, been broken up to 42, the earliest Speaker represented being Sir Thomas More. There are four other 16th century Speakers in the collection, thirteen of the 17th century, and twelve of the 18th. "Indeed," adds Mr. John Lane, "the portrait of each Speaker should be painted for the collection on his retirement, so the 19th century series is complete. Still, it is a meagre collection in comparison with that just across the river, at Lambeth Palace. 'Archbishop Benson told me,' writes Mr. John Lane, 'that Lambeth was the only official residence known to him where the portraits of all the successive occupiers for any considerable length of time are to be found.'

## FADING BACK.

Theory of Conscience  
Moore.

Every now and then refreshing instances are reported of acts of restitution, generally pecuniary, made to the State by private persons whose conscience tells them that they have wronged or taken an unfair advantage of the community. One such case came to light recently when it was announced that an ex-soldier had sent to the War Office the equivalent in money of part of some kit which he had stolen while on active service. It is not often that the circumstances of the case are indicated. Much more usually it is the Chancellor of the Exchequer who acknowledges the receipt of a sum, but gives no reason for its payment.

The common interpretation to the transaction is that somebody has cheated the Inland Revenue, probably over income-tax, and has now in a moment of remorse, perhaps on his death-bed, repented and made tardy amends.

But that need not be the only explanation. There are other ways in which the State may be defrauded or put to loss, and the offence may not be always intentional.

Government officials are at least human to the extent that they are liable to make mistakes; and to a conscience, ideally sensitive to the behests of the categorical imperative, even a Government official's mistake, if it were to the nation's detriment, would call for restitution.

Such a case, however, is painfully hypothetical. On the other hand, if such a possibility is wholly untenable, how is it that payments of conscience money are as frequent as they are?

Leaving out the religious motive, which must actuate many, may there not be seen in the payment of conscience money a laudable desire on the part of the State to individualism to place the State in a position, if it could only be made to see it, of moral inferiority?

The State, it may be argued, makes us all dishonest, or would if it could, by its actions, its interference, its tyranny generally; it takes me, as it may have taken the soldier, at a moment when the powers of resistance are low, and turns us against our better knowledge into gain a man, and the State has

thieves. But when we have lost a victim, as Mephistopheles recovered our independence, in the end lost Faust.—*The Times*.

## WEATHER REPORT.

April 13d. 6h. 46m.—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Forts, &c.—Depression or typhoon in Lat. 19° N. Long. 113° E. direction unknown, position uncertain.

April 13d. 6h. 45m.—Local signal No. 1 hoisted.

April 13d. 11h. 57m.—Pressure has increased considerably at Vladivostock, moderately at Shanghai and slightly at other reporting stations.

A depression or typhoon appears to have formed to the south of Hongkong early this morning. Its direction of motion is at present unknown.

Hongkong. Rainfall for the 24 hours, ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.13 inch. Total since January 1st, 6.72 inches, against an average of 8.07 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast. N.E. winds, 1 Formosa Channel strong.

2 South coast of China between N.E. winds, H.K. & Lamocka strong.

3 Hongkong to possibly Gap Rock increasing.

4 South coast of China between overcast, H.K. & Hainan. rain.

I. F. CLAYTON, Director. T. K. Observatory, Apr. 13, 1923.

when we are no longer, as many a civilian was when he was in the Army, its blind tools, when we have regained our self-respect, we long to have our revenge and to retrieve our dignity as citizens by making public, though anonymous, amends.

Doubtless, the soldier was compelled to steal the kit; the State had practically invited him to help himself, as no tailor's shop would ever invite him. At length he saw how he had been humiliated by the State; perhaps he saw it all along; at any rate, on the first opportunity he shook himself free. Never was the strength of the case of the man versus the State more forcibly illustrated. Like Orestes, who was commanded by one deity to slay his mother and persecuted by another deity until he had won absolution, the soldier, we feel sure, detected the whole affair. Now, after what he has done, the nation has

recovered our independence, in the end lost Faust.—*The Times*.

## EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 1.)

## SELLING.

30 d. San Francisco and New York

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4 m. France

6 m.

6.75

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T. T. Bombay

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1.71

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1.07

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1.07

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8.11

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